

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): A communication system including a mobile station capable of transmitting a plurality of control channels, wherein at least one of the control channels has pilot data placed separately at a plurality of positions within a transmission unit time.

Claim 2 (Original): The communication system according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of positions are assigned to fields formed by dividing the transmission unit time into a plurality of subdivisions.

Claim 3 (Original): The communication system according to claim 1, wherein when said mobile station is in a soft handover state, pilots are placed at a plurality of positions within the transmission unit time.

Claim 4 (Original): A communication system including a mobile station capable of transmitting a channel in which pilot data is included and a transmission rate of data other than the pilot data is variable, wherein a transmission rate of the pilot data is varied in response to the transmission rate of the data other than the pilot data.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The communication system according to claim 4, wherein the pilot data is transmitted uninterruptedly ~~in a field including no other data but the pilot data by a data field other than a pilot field, when the data field does not transmit any other data.~~

Claim 6 (Original): The communication system according to claim 4, wherein when said mobile station is in a soft handover state, the transmission rate of the pilot data is varied.